

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research 1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814 FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation 1416 Ninth Street P.O. Box 942896

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PROJECT TITLE: Swim Beach Trail Handrail Replacement

LOCATION: Standish Hickey State Recreation Area COUNTY: Mendocino

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Repair and replace the damaged or missing handrails and posts along the trail from the campfire center in Hickey Campground to the river bar in Standish Hickey State Recreation Area to provide assistance to hikers traveling on the steep trail. Work will repair approximately 350 feet of handrail and posts:

- Remove existing posts and file holes with concrete for 4 inch by 4 inch piers.
- Excavate approximately 10 holes 8 to 12 inches in diameter 24 inches deep and pour concrete for 4 inch by 4 inch piers for new posts.
- Posts will be a length to accomplish a finished top rail height of 42 inches above ground; since posts are being re-used they will range in size (4x4, 3x5, and 4x6).

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: North Coast Redwoods District

EXEMPT STATUS:

	Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
	Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
	Statutory Exemption (Section)
X	Categorical Exemption

Class: 1, 2, 3, 4 Section: 15301, 15302, 15303, 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond current levels, replacement or reconstruction of existing structures where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced, construction and location of limited numbers of new structures, and minor alterations in the condition of land, and/or vegetation which does not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

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